

AN ACT concerning transportation.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Boat Registration and Safety Act is amended by changing Section 4-11 as follows:

(625 ILCS 45/4-11) (from Ch. 95 1/2, par. 314-11)

Sec. 4-11. Engine ~~Lanyard~~ cut-off switch.

(a) As used in this Section:

"Engine cut-off switch link" means the lanyard or wireless cut-off device used to attach the motorboat operator to the engine cut-off switch installed on the motorboat.

"Engine cut-off switch" means an operational emergency cut-off engine stop switch installed on a motorboat that attaches to a motorboat operator by an engine cut-off switch link.

(b) No person may operate any motor boat, including personal watercraft or specialty prop-craft, ~~which is~~ equipped with an a lanyard type engine cut-off switch while the engine is running and the motorboat is underway without verifying that the engine cut-off switch is operational and fully-functional and:

(1) the engine cut-off switch link is properly attached to his or her person, clothing or worn PFD, as appropriate

for the specific vessel; or

(2) activating the wireless cut-off system.

~~unless such lanyard is properly attached to his or her person,
clothing or worn PFD, as appropriate for the specific vessel.~~

(Source: P.A. 87-798.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.